Revised offer on Basic Telecom Services to World Trade Organisation

1197. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether International Telecommunication Union has urged India to place its revised offer on basic telecom services to the World Trade Organisation;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

विकलांग कर्मचारियों के लिए आरक्षण

1198. **श्री चीमनभाई हरीभाई शुक्ला:** क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) मंत्रालय के विभिन्न विभागों में विकलांग कर्मचारियों को क्या-क्या सुविधाएं उपलब्ध कराई गई हैं/कराई जा रही हैं;

(ख) क्या पदोन्नति के समय उनके लिए आरक्षण का भी प्रावधान है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है और इसकी प्रतिशतता कितनी है; और

(घ) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं?

संचार मंत्री (श्री बेनी प्रसाद वर्मा) (क) कार्मिक एवं प्रशिक्षण विभाग के अनुदेशों के अनुसार निम्नलिखित सुविधाएं प्रदान की जा रही हैं:—

(i) पदोन्नति के संबंध में दिनांक 20-11-89 के कार्यालय ज्ञापन संख्या 36035/8/89-स्था० में विनिर्दिष्ट शर्तों के अध्याधीन समूह "ग" तथा "घ" में पदों के आरक्षण की व्यवस्था।

(ii) अधिकतम आयु सीमा में छूट।

(iii) अधिकतम 100 रु० प्रतिमाह का वाहन भत्ता।

(iv) आवेदन शुल्क और परीक्षा शुल्क के भुगतान से छूट।

(v) कृत्रिम अंग/पहिएदार कुर्सी/तीन पहियों वाली साईकल आदि की खरीद हेतु कल्याण निधि से वित्तीय सहायता।

(ख) जी हां। पदोन्नति में आरक्षण उपर्युक्त भाग क(i) में यथा उल्लिखित कार्मिक एवं प्रशिक्षण विभाग के अनुदेशों के अनुसार दिया जाता है।

(ग) समूह "ग" तथा "घ" पदों में अभिज्ञात बधिए तथा शरीरिकरूप से विकलांग दृष्टि बाधित व्यक्तियों के लिए एक एक प्रतिशत।

(घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

ISD/STD/PCOs in Bihar

1199. SHRI JANARDAN YADAV: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons who have been allotted telephone ISD/STD/PCOs in the State of Bihar during the year 1995-96 and during the current year, district-wise;

(b) the number of persons proposed to be issued telephones ISD/STD/PCOs during 1996-97, district-wise;

(c) whether Government are aware that the necessary meetings for the allotment of ISD/STD/PCOs are not being conducted by the concerned telephone authorities in Bihar; and so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether the instructions have been issued to the telephone authorities in the State of Bihar, is so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA): (a) and (b) The details are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) and (d) Sir, STD PCO allotment committees were under reconstitution. Some STD PCO Committees could not be reconstituted because of non-receipt of names of representative of sitting MPs. Instructions have been issued to re-constitute the pending committees expeditiously.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of SSAs	ISD/STD/PCOs allotted during 1995-96 & 1996-97	ISD/STD/PCOs proposed to be issued during 1996-97
1.	Patna	577	145	545
2.	Ranchi	180	281	85
3.	Darbhanga	29	NIL	348
4.	Dhanbad	206	NIL	265
5.	Jamshedpur	750	NIL	950
6.	Gaya	102	94	129
7.	Hazaribagh	113	119	88
8.	Muzaffarpur	230	260	340
9.	Dumka	21	30	39
10.	Munger	NIL	NIL	24
11.	Ara	30	65	35
12.	Sasaram	50	29	300
13.	Katihar	85	89	32
14.	Chapra	82	38	NIL No case pending
15.	Motihari	57	42	15
16.	Saharsa	55	15	NIL No case pending
17.	Bhagalpur	63	18	148

Difficulties Faced by Internet Subscribers

1200. SHRI V. RAJESHWAR RAO:
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that the subscribers of INTERNET are facing difficulties about connecting on the INTERNET;

(b) if so, the nature of the complaints; and

(c) the steps are being taken to solve these difficulties?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA): (a) Yes Sir, there are some complaints.

(b) Some customers especially during peak hours complain about congestion on the dial-up basis.

(c) The problem is mainly due to shortage of telephone access lines. Whenever congestion is noticed, the number of telephones access lines is incereased.

Encroachment of Defence Land

1201. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more than 6,900 acres of defence land have been encroached upon all over the country;

(b) the details of such lands, and in what circumstances such largescale encroachment were allowed;

(c) whether such encroachments represent hazards to the security of the country; and